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Forwards for info a copy of a telegram of 26.12.19 from the Govt of Sydra. Depy of Resident (Foodships) stating that it has been decided to continue control over exports of rice from Sydra during 1920.

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Copy to Maharaja

Telegram

A copy of the marginally* noted ~~letter, with enclosure~~, is forwarded, with compliments, to the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, for information.

*No 1197-7.S. dated 24-12-19
from the Govt of India
Dept of Revenue & Agriculture
(Food Stuffs)

J Sharma

First Assistant Resident.

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Telegram No. 1197-F.S., dated the 24th December 1919, from India Revenue, Delhi, to all Local Governments and Administrations (except the Chief Commissioner, Delhi).

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Following Press Communique issued today. Begins. As announced in a Press Communique of 31st October last, the Government of India have had under consideration the question of retaining control over exports of rice in 1920. The prospects of the rice crop throughout India are generally good but prices are still high. Further though the price of rice in India rules high world prices owing to the failure of the crop in other rice producing countries are very much higher. In these circumstances if exports from India were not restricted the demand of foreign countries for rice would probably draw out stocks which are required for replenishing reserves and would force up prices to such a level as to cause hardship to the Indian consumer. The Government of India have therefore decided that it is necessary to continue control over exports of rice from India during the ensuing year. As regards exports from India proper the existing form of control will be continued. The quantities allowed for export will be restricted to the minimum requirements of foreign countries which are dependent on India for supplies. These will be rationed according to quarterly allotments which will be communicated to the Collectors of Customs at the ports of Calcutta Madras Bombay and Karachi and will be distributed by them amongst established shippers on the basis of previous shipments to the country concerned. Conditions in Burma have entailed the enforcement of a more stringent scheme of control over exports from that Province. In order to keep down internal prices exports to foreign countries will be restricted to the surplus estimated to be available for export after providing for the needs of India. All sales and purchases for export from Burma will be made through the Rice Commissioner who will not purchase rice throughout 1920 at a higher rate than the equivalent of rupees one hundred eighty per hundred baskets of paddy. It is considered that this figure which has been fixed after consultation with the Local Government and the

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trade is the highest limit to which prices in Burma can be allowed to rise without detriment to the consumer but that it is at the same time a price which will afford an ample return to the cultivator. The result of fixing this maximum price would in the absence of special measures be to concentrate large profits in the hands of exporting merchants, and it is clearly desirable that these profits should be shared by the community at large. The Rice Commissioner will therefore sell rice to foreign countries either by tender or at such prices as he considers fair with reference to prevailing rates and the difference between the purchase and sale price will be realised for Government. It is impossible to estimate the probable extent of the profits but it is recognised that they will be made partly at the expense of producers in Burma who would if control were removed derive large profits from the present condition of world markets and world prices. For this reason the Government of India have decided that the net profits of the scheme should be made over to the Burma Government subject to a limit of one crore on condition that the money will be expended for the benefit of the cultivator. The scheme of control which has been designed to attain the desired objects and which will come into effect from the first January 1920 is as follows one No exports will be permitted except under license from the Rice Commissioner two All importing countries will be rationed and given fixed quarterly allotments three The Rice Commissioner will periodically invite tenders from foreign purchasers for the amounts allotted fixing a minimum price which may be varied on each occasion at his discretion but in the case both of purchases and sales he will have a margin of discretion whether in making allotments to millers and shippers or in accepting offers from foreign exporters. four. The maximum price to be paid by the Rice Commissioner throughout the year will not exceed the equivalent for Big Mills Specials of rupees one hundred eighty per hundred baskets of paddy. The prices of other qualities of rice will be settled on a fixed ratio in proportion to the price of Big Mills Specials and no tenders at any higher prices will be accepted. Five. The quantity of rice which will be allotte for export to India will be fixed monthly and will be supplied by the Rice Commissioner at cost price and in order to prevent undue profits

being made by Indian importers the present system of control at Indian ports will, for the present, be continued. Six. The headquarters of the Rice Commissioner will be at Rangoon but arrangements have been made for purchases and sales also at Moulmein Akyab and Bassein throug his representatives. Ends.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Dated Bangalore, 21/1/1920.

A copy of the marginally noted letter is forwarded with compliments to the Food Controller in Mysore for information.

No. 1197-75	From the Govt of India Dept of Revenue (Food Supply)
Dated 24.12.19	

By Order,

For Chief Secretary to Govt.

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